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Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

We wish to thank you for making available to us a copy of the Clarke-Rapuano report on a site for your new building.

We have studied this report which we understand was based on about a three months study. We find it incomplete, self-contradictory and weak.

If this report were followed we believe it would cause a serious impact on the budgets of the District of Columbia, the State of Virginia and the Federal Government by requiring unnecessary expenditures of between \$50,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Our opinion is based on the following facts:

- 1. This report fails to mention soil and foundation conditions which seems elementary in selecting a site for a 46-million-dollar building.
- 2. It fails to give any consideration to public transportation facilities which are basic to the convenience of many thousands of your employees.
- 3. It reports that surrounding land is higher, but makes absolutely no investigation of such land.
- 4. It fails to take note of the existence of several modern four-lane

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